

**CAMP HILL BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
2145 WALNUT ST. PROSSER HALL
CAMP HILL, PA 17011
MARCH 9, 2005**

Council President Smith called the public meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Present were:

Jeffrey Smith, President	Brian Musselman
Debbie Keys	Richard McBride
Burke McLemore	Liesl Beckley
Dave Buell	

Also present were Mayor Doug Morrow, Police Chief Jan Ammons, Solicitor J. Stephen Feinour, Borough Manager Nan Balmer, and Borough Engineer Mark Malarich. Approximately 30 guests also attended.

Mr. Smith presented the Minutes of the February 9, 2005 Council Meeting:

- Motion was made by Ms. Keys to approve the minutes. Second by Ms. Beckley. Council unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Morrow publicly congratulated Jordan Berian for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. The Mayor also presented a request for the Borough to purchase materials for the Fire Police. This request was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

As part of the Mayor's report, Tom Bell was introduced to present the Camp Hill Economic Development Group's proposed Business Plan. The mission of CHEDG is economic development, improvement of the business district, and development of recreational facilities. CHEDG intends to hire staff and operate under the auspices of the Capital Area Economic Development Corporation. A 10 year plan of project activities and estimated costs was provided. CHEDG is asking for Council support of its Business Plan, which currently includes no financial commitments from the Borough.

MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager presented the highlights of the month's activities including employee health insurance, work on the 2003 and 2004 audits, receipt of FEMA funding to repair damage from Hurricane Ivan, and the recent receipt of a Preliminary / Final land Development Plan for Hilltop Village.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment included:

- Bill Forrey and Stephanie Williams, representing the County Planning Commission described in detail the 10-year Cumberland County Open Space and Greenway Plan which has been developed by a 15-member steering committee with considerable public comment. Comments on the draft plan are welcome through April 15. After passage of the plan, the County will issue \$3 million in grant funding for municipal planning and a \$2.5 million bond issue for open space preservation.
- Bernadette Miller of Wynnewood Rd. requested a street light on the public property at Arlington Rd. A response was promised by next month. Also requested was a “Please pick up after pet” sign.
- Karl Silverman, of Beverly Rd. indicated his support of the County Open Space Plan. He also requested that if Council planned to observe a moment of “Silence and Reflection” at Borough Council meetings, that it should be so indicated on the agenda. He also commented that the Board should reconsider its planned commendation of individuals who are members of organizations that discriminate against atheists and homosexuals.
- Rick Logan of S. 15th St., asked about the responsibility for the repair of Shaffer Alley, given that he said the Borough has installed the storm sewer located in the alley. Ms. Balmer reported that the Public Works Department had advised that the Borough owns only two alleys. One is behind the old Borough Hall and the other is behind the current Borough Hall. The Solicitor was asked to review the matter of alley ownership and maintenance. Mr. Logan also expressed his concern that 18-wheeler trucks making deliveries in the alley were responsible for some of the damage. This matter was referred to Public Safety.
- Molly Robertson requested a report on a rumor about a Head Start event last year along the Conodoguinet Creek. Mr. Smith indicated that he would respond this time, although he did not typically respond to anonymous rumors. He explained that last year, after the log cabin was leased for an event, approximately 900 invitations were sent to the parents of pre-school children for a fishing event. Because of safety concerns, the event was put on hold until all questions were resolved. After a meeting with the Headstart administrators who explained that they expected only a relatively small portion of the 900 invitees would actually attend, each would be accompanied by a parent, and certification was provided by the PA Fish and Boat Commission, the event was approved.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Mr. Buell presented a monthly report and minutes of the Lemoyne Municipal Authority.

- Mr. Buell made a motion to adopt Ordinance #1020, adopting Chapter 118 Food Establishments, which was advertised as required in the Patriot News. Motion was seconded by Mr. Musselman. The motion was adopted upon a roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Mc Bride	Yes	Ms. Beckley	Yes
Mr. McLemore	Yes	Mr. Smith	Yes
Mr. Buell	Yes		
Mr. Musselman	Yes		
Ms. Keys	Yes		

- Mr. Buell presented a Resolution that will be updated as needed establishing an annual license fee, an inspection fee, a fee for temporary food facilities, and waives fees for bona-fide nonprofit organizations. Ms. Beckley seconded. The Resolution passed unanimously.
- Ms. Balmer recommended the appointment of John Holder, state certified health officer, for the position of Health Inspector with the Borough. Upon a motion by Mr. Buell, seconded by Ms. Beckley, the motion to appoint Mr. Holder passed unanimously.

Mr. Malarich presented an Engineer's report, including discussion about the Sewer Planning Module for the Rhodes Development that was updated by the Developer at the request of DEP and again presented to the Borough for consideration of a Resolution adopting the module as part of the Borough's Official Sewage Facilities Plan. The Borough Engineer and Solicitor reviewed the module and recommended it as complete and ready for action by Council.

- Upon a motion by Mr. Buell, seconded by Ms. Beckley, the Rhodes Sewer Planning Module was approved unanimously by Council.

Mr. Malarich also updated Council on the FEMA grant, indicating that \$80,000 in reimbursement and grant funding was received, that an additional \$16,000 was available from PEMA as state share of the Creek Rd. Culvert Project, and that at least \$17,000 could be made available for repair of the trail in Seibert Park.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Ms. Beckley presented the Monthly Report and opened discussion about the Community Development Block Grant allocated to the Borough to make the swimming pool compliant with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Mr. Buell noted that the grant could neither be used for non-ADA infrastructure at the pool or to replace other local tax supported expenses at the pool. Tom and Matt Brenner commented on difficulties in making renovations to the pool structure without compromising the competitive swimming program and safety and space in the shallow end of the pool. There is an additional concern that in order to use the grant funds for ADA compliance, there will be a need to commit other local resources to making the entire facility handicapped accessible. It was the consensus of Council to make a final decision about the project and the grant by next Council meeting and to maintain communication with the Swim Club.

Ms. Beckley requested that improvements to the Chemical Building be funded from the Park and Recreation Fund.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Beckley, seconded by Ms. Keys, a motion to fund these improvements from the Park and Recreation Fund unanimously passed.

Ms. Beckley presented a proposal from the Harrisburg Senators to hold a Camp Hill Night to benefit the Borough. It was confirmed that the Borough would bear no costs for the event and could not lose money.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Beckley, seconded by Mr. Musselman, the motion unanimously passed.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Ms. Keys announced meetings for the month. She recommended that Council approve a proclamation commending Paul Devlin for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Keys, seconded by Ms. Beckley, the proclamation was approved.

Ms. Keys announced the resignation of William Royer from the Zoning Hearing Board after more than 35 years of service. She announced that the Borough would be seeking candidates to serve on the Board.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Keys, seconded by Mr. McLemore, the resignation of Mr. Royer was unanimously accepted effective this date, March 9, 2005.

Ms. Keys announced candidates for the positions as Planning Commission members including:

Bob Landis:	2 year term to expire 12/31/06 (Reappointment)
Rick Trynoski:	3 year term to expire 12/31/07 (New appointment)
Don Sechler:	3 year term to expire 12/31/07 (New appointment)
Fred Waldner:	4 year term to expire 12/31/08 (Reappointment)
Richard Gulden:	4 year term to expire 12/31/08 (Reappointment)

The terms are staggered in accord with the PA Municipalities Planning Code.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Keys, seconded by Mr. McLemore, Council unanimously acted to appoint and reappoint these individuals to the Planning Commission to the terms specified.

Ms. Keys presented vouchers for payment in the amount of \$176,340.50.

- Upon a motion by Ms. Keys, seconded by Mr. Buell, payment vouchers in the amount of \$176, 340.50 were unanimously approved.

Mr. Buell reported on the progress in website development.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Mr. Malarich presented his comments on the Camp Hill Mall Final Land Development Plan, indicating that all of the comments had been addressed in the final plan. He indicated that the revised plan carried forward all previously agreed to conditions. Fred Grove, of Grove Associates, advised Council about the plan's effect on stormwater in the area. A resident asked whether a left turn signal from Trindle Rd would be provided. The developer said that it would.

- Motion was made by Mr. McLemore, seconded by Ms. Beckley to approve the Camp Hill Final Land Development Plan subject to the Engineer's approval of stormwater calculations and confirmation that the plan will result in at least a 2% reduction in stormwater from this area. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McLemore discussed zoning ordinance changes that were under consideration by the Solicitor regarding signs in the Market St. Overlay District. Mr. Smith indicated that there was some purposeful grandfathering inherent in the adopted version of the ordinance that needed consideration.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Musselman opened discussion about stormwater problems in Shaffer Alley that had been researched since the last meeting. Mr. Malarich presented a memorandum on the matter, discussing approaches to remediation including: (1) Checking inlets after every major storm / Quarterly line flushing--- Line flushing planned next for March after snow melt, (2) Possible improvements to curbing at the West Shore Plaza.--- Staff have requested site meeting with LB Smith, (3) Replacement of inlets on State Street with more effective grating --- Quotes of \$200 each received, (4) Contact to PennDOT to determine its plans for area --- State St. is not on paving schedule in coming year. Mayor and Council discussed the alternative of paving Shaffer Alley to avoid the costs of frequent flushing. Paving has not been considered since the Borough does not own the alley. Mayor Morrow as representative to the Camp Hill Economic Development Group was asked to consider whether paving the alley was an economic development project. The Borough Engineer was asked to review the possibility of raising and paving Shaffer Alley as a way to remediate the stormwater problem. The Borough Solicitor was asked to review the legal issues related to paving of alleys. The Public Safety Committee was asked to review and consider what actions might be taken including signage to keep heavy truck traffic from entering the alley.

- Upon a motion by Mr. Musselman, seconded by Ms. Keys, Council unanimously voted to approve an expenditure of up to \$6,500 in Liquid Fuels funding for line flushing and \$2,000 for grates.

With regard to a resident's request for a street light on Arlington St., Mr. Musselman advised that Public Works staff determined that a light could be installed on Borough property at a cost of about \$12 per month.

- Upon a motion by Mr. Musselman, seconded by Ms. Keys, Council unanimously voted to direct staff to arrange for this street light.

With regard to sealed bids for quarterly street sweeping of the Borough's 34 miles of streets, Ms. Balmer noted that the Request for Bids was advertised as required in the Patriot News. The following bids were received:

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| • Ross Industries, Inc., York, PA | \$23,920 |
| • Stewart-Amos Equipment Co., Harrisburg, PA | \$15,600 |

The Solicitor reviewed the bids indicating that they were in acceptable form. Ms. Balmer said that she had no reason to believe that either bidder was not responsible.

- Upon a motion by Mr. Musselman, seconded by Ms. Keys, Council voted unanimously to award the 2005 contract for street sweeping to Stewart-Amos Equipment Co.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

In an additional health and sanitation matter, Mr. Buell presented the request of Steve Chandler on behalf of his mother, an East Pennsboro resident for a reduced tap-in fee. The request was based on the lengthy period of time it took for Camp Hill and East Pennsboro to agree to connect the Chandler property during which time the tap-in fee increased. Council declined to agree to Mr. Chandler's request.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. McBride noted items on the agenda for which there was no supporting information. Ms. Balmer will work to correct this. Chief Ammons reported on the “Safe Routes to School” initiative between the school District and the Borough to improve walking routes to school, including crosswalks along Market St. In addition the Chief discussed a letter requesting reprogramming of traffic signalization between 24th and 29th and Market St. The Chief will send a letter to PennDOT requesting a signalization study. Mayor Morrow also announced that the West Shore Booking Center will be closed effective April 1.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Borough Council recessed for an executive session at 10:20 PM to discuss personnel and a legal matter.

The meeting reconvened at 10:53 PM.

Upon a motion by Mr. McLemore, seconded by Mr. Musselman, Council unanimously agreed to appoint the firm of Tucker Arensberg to represent the Borough in connection to the Lemoyne litigation.

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Balmer, Secretary